

## Next Meeting: Thursday, March 29th, 2018 Meeting Start: 6:30 PM

Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club 6013 Craig Street Fort Worth, TX

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# 3-Sided Off-Center Box by Jeff Edwards

The demonstration for March will be a 3-Sided Off-Center Box, an off axis turning of a three sided lidded box, by Jeff Edwards.

If you are interested in off axis turning, the demonstration will illustrate some simple techniques to get you started and allow you to utilize the process on various projects.





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#### Calendar of Events

Mar 29th - Open Shop 3PM

Mar 29th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club

**Demonstrator:** Jeff Edwards

"3-Sided Off-Center Box"

Apr 16-20th - Nick Cook Classes

Apr 21st - Nick Cook All-Day Demo at the Lions Club

Apr 29th - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club,

Demonstrator: John Horn

"End Grain Hollowing"

May 31st - Regular Monthly meeting 6:30 PM, Lions Club

Demonstrator: TBD

#### Open Shop

#### March 29th, 2018

We will be having an OPEN SHOP/SWAP at this coming meeting.

We will be doing the following projects with hands on work. This is a hands-on event for all turners, new and old.

#### **Stations:**

- 1. Basic Class John Horn
- 2. Painting Ron Howe
- 3. Stave Bowls Neal Brand
- 4. Off center turning John Solberg
- 5. Pepper Grinder John Lauderbaugh
- 6. Pens Ken Cardin
- 7. Sharpening your tools- bring one you need worked on Glynn Cox

Bring some wood to turn, your tools to sharpen and any turning associated items you want to sell/swap.

We will start at 3:00pm Thursday, March 29th and cleanup at 6:00 PM.

Lathe providers/mentors need to setup at 2:30pm.

Food will be available.

### Women in Turning (WIT) Hands-on Retreat

Who: The women of the SWAT region What: Hands-on woodturning retreat

When: April 27-29, 2018

Where: Cypress Fairbanks (Houston area), TX

Cost: \$75.00 registration fee

Slots Available: 14

The women of the SWAT region are invited to participate in a hands-on retreat to be sponsored by the Gulf Coast Woodturners Association (GCWA) and by a grant from the AAW. This retreat is for ladies of all turning levels, beginner to advanced.

The registration fee is \$75 and this will include two boxed lunches. Area hotels can be booked for lodging.

The retreat features six instructors. We are fortunate to have Sally Ault, Linda Ferber, Jeanne Douphrate, Charley Phillips, Rebecca DeGroot, and Janice Levi. Although not all hands-on class topics and demonstration topics have been cast in stone, we know that several have been determined: using milk paint on spindle turnings, turning elegant finials, using pyrography and water color to enhance wood.

Since there are only 14 slots available, we expect the retreat to fill up quickly. If you want to attend, please email or telephone Janice Levi at <a href="mailto:jlevi@rightturnonly.net">jlevi@rightturnonly.net</a> or 254-729-2542 beginning on January 8 at 6:00 pm. Hopefully, by naming a specific date and time, all interested ladies will have an equal opportunity to make a reservation. Names will be put on a list in the order they are received. After 14 names are listed, additional names will be put on a waitlist in the order received. We will need your name, mailing address, and telephone number when calling or emailing.

The first 14 ladies will receive an application form to fill out. This completed form, along with a check for \$75 made out to Gulf Coast Woodturners Association, will need to be received by Janice Levi by Wednesday, February 28. If the application form and check are not received by that date, the slot will be given to a lady on the waitlist.

We think that this retreat will be a wonderful opportunity to get to meet ladies from across the SWAT region. The classes and demonstrations will fill the week-end with opportunities to learn new turning and enhancing techniques while having a great time. Come and join us.

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# Shavings

President's Pen for March 2018

Half way around the world and things are not much different. On a recent trip to Western Australia (WA), I met with some local members of the Woodturners Association of Western Australia (WAWA) at their facility in Wandi, WA (Wandi is a suburb of Perth, the capital of WA).



Jim Cameron President of WAWA



Wandi meeting room w/ Lathes

A few big differences: the Wandi group meets in a community center, has their own room (about half the size of our meeting room) and their own lathes (about a dozen of different sizes) and they meet much more often than we do. They meet on Mondays and Wednesdays mornings for hands on sessions to work on their own projects with a mentor on site to help as needed. The entire WAWA meets monthly in the evening in a setting similar to ours. their membership is about 450 active members throughout the state. A big difference, they get state funding to help keep unemployed/retired workers engaged in life and keep them from suffering from depression.

That's where the differences end. Like us, they have differences of opinion on what angle a skew/scraper/gouge should be sharpened to. Is a negative rake scraper best? What wood is the best? Which finish is the best? Which lathe is the best? Skew or spindle gouge? And they turn out some beautiful pieces. Lots of eucalyptus in southwest WA and lots of olive trees. Sheoak is plentiful. And like us, they are a very cordial group. They answered all my questions, had a few of their own and were more than willing to share their woods and equipment (I turned on a Vicmarc for the first time).

Close to home or far away, it pays to share your self where ever you can. Use the club mentors to help you with your questions. Mentors, reach out to new members and see how you can help them turn with more ease and assurance. All, utilize the club sponsored demos and hands on classes to help you with your turning.

Most importantly, keep turning. Attempt the monthly challenge, turn bowls for the Empty Bowls, turn boxes for the Beads of Courage.

Don't forget the all day demo with Nick Cook on April 21st.

It is not too early to start turning bowls for the next years Empty Bowls event. Sign up to help teach the kids to turn at the upcoming session at Green Valley Elementary School (see Ray Moyer for details).

Speaking of Ray Moyer, get with him about turning a box for the Beads of Courage project.

Keep turning and stay safe.

Bill Collins President





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#### 2018 SWAT SCHOLARSHIP DRAWING

#### **APRIL 26**

The drawing for 2018 SWAT scholarships will be held at the WNT April regular meeting on April 26. Only WNT members who have paid 2018 dues are eligible. You must be present to win.

SWAT awards one scholarship to each club, and WNT provides four scholarships.

Each scholarship includes the registration fee and one banquet ticket.

#### **Featured Demonstrator**



Nick Cook of Mariett, Georgia, will be our Feature Hands-On Instructor and All-Day Demonstrator from April 16<sup>th</sup> through April 21<sup>st</sup>. All-Day Classes will be held from Monday through Friday, April 16-20<sup>th</sup> and an All-Day Demonstration will be given on Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>.

Nick Cook owns and operates the only full service woodturning studio in the metropolitan Atlanta area. He turns a variety of work including one-of-akind bowls and vessels along with his unique gift items—wine stoppers, baby rattles, rolling pins, spinning tops, honey dippers, and the like.

His work can be found in gift shops and galleries from coast to coast. He also provides turned parts for local furniture makers and millwork shops.

Nick is also in high demand as a teacher. He teaches and demonstrates at his studio, universities, craft schools, and woodworking shows throughout the US, Australia, and New Zealand.

http://www.nickcookwoodturner.com/index. htm

#### There is one class slot still available!

The idea is that we want everyone to have an opportunity to take one class, yet we want all of the classes filled before Nick comes to visit with us.

The class fee is \$125 per class, payable at the time of registration. There will be classes for Beginners, Intermediates, and more Advanced Turners. There will be classes available for ALL experience levels. Come prepared to register for the class of your choice.

#### Registration will begin at 6:00 PM on Thursday, January 25th

<u>The All-Day Demonstration on Saturday, April 21st, is free to all club members and \$10:00 to non-club members. Spouses may come at no charge.</u>

#### **Hands-on Classes**

Any class may be adapted to the student participating

#### Monday, April 16 Beginner Level

Garden Dibble w/Skew, Honey Dipper, & Icicle Snowman Ornament with roughing gouge, parting tool, and spindle gouge

#### Tuesday, April 17 Beginner Level

Spurtle, Tool Technic Coffee Scoop, Candle Stick

#### Wednesday, April 18 Intermediate Level

Pepper Mill, Salt Shaker, Bowl

#### Thursday, April 19 Intermediate/Advanced Level

Plate/Platter Bowl gouge technique, burning & texturing

#### Friday April 20 Intermediate/Advanced Level

Christmas Angel, End Grain Hollowing, Boxes, Goblets, Tops



#### **SWAT 2018**

## Waco Convention Center: Fri. August 24th thru Sun. August 26th, 2018

The SWAT annual Director's meeting was January 20th.

Some things of interest:

The Thursday Meet and Greet will be a 5-6 happy hour.

Friday night, prior to the special event involving Stuart Batty, an Italian dinner will be offered

On that note, any attendee with a special dietary requirement should email Joe(the caterer) at joe@blankeks.com in July. I will put this reminder in the newsletter again for the June and July newsletter.

This grand prize(s) for this year's drawing will be 1 large lathes and 2 midi lathes

SWAT will again offer 1 scholarship per member club

#### Early registration begins March 1st. It is beneficial to everybody to register early

This year SWAT 2 for 1 asked for 2 donations from each club.. **Bill Boehme** and **John Horn** have agreed to provide our clubs donation. I am loking forward to seeing the pieces Bill and John submit.

At the 2017 symposium, there were approximately 240 Beads of Courage turnings on display. Impressive!!

Regional selection entry deadline has been extended until Feb 28th. The for is available on-line and ther are a few printed forms on Jame's table.

The selection committee is currently evaluating the proposals for regional turners.

As previously announced, there will be an ATM available at the symposium.

#### This year, there will be 6 lead turners.

#### The Leads include:

Stuart Batty- Demo1: Bowl Turning with 40/40 Bowl Gouge Grind

Demo 2: Off Centre Square Bowling with 40/40 Bowl Grind and Negative Rake

Scraping

Richard Gerard- Demo 1: Sphere-ology! (or making wooden balls various ways)

Demo 2: Sphere-ology! What to do with Wooden Spheres

Demo 3: 3 Leg Stool

Keith Gotschall - Demo 1: Off Center Platter

Demo 2: 3 Leg Stool

George Hatfield - Demo 1: Design and Useage of Woodturning Tools

Demo 2. Woodturning Design

Craig Timmerman - Demo 1: Arch Bowl

Demo 2: Torus Vases

Demo 3:

Alan & Lauren Zenriech - Demo 1: Eccentric Jewelry Turning - Making Pendants

Demo 2: Embellishing your Projects with Archival Inks and Other

Materials

Bob Clark
WNT SWAT Director

## Who's up for a Challenge?

The Challenge Program is to encourage members to take on a project they might not do otherwise. The "Challenge " for February was to turn something out of construction grade lumber. As we all found out, construction grade lumber can definitely be a challenge. Those who participated were:

Jim Barkelew
Bobby Bartlett
David Baulch
Tom Beatty
David Carter
Don Christiansen
Bob Clark
Paul Clark
Glynn Cox.
Tom Echols
Jimmy Fife

Rick Gauthier
James Haynes.
Blake Hickerson
Bill Holt
John Horn
Bruce Imsande
Dick Koch
John Lauderbaugh
Jim Legrand
Charles Linehan
Ron Neben

Charley Phillips
Larry Sweeney
Jim Tanksley
Pam Thompson
Kerry Weeks
Bob Wiggins
Joe Wigner
Scott Wisdom
Kelly Wooten
Dustin Wyatt
Don York

The Challenge for March is to turn a stool. A turned stool can consist of all spindle work, can be faceplate turning, or can even be a log as long as it contains turned parts. It can range in heights from 4" tall (perhaps a footstool) to barstool height. A stool can be turned on any size lathe - just choose an appropriate pattern!

Pam Thompson



## Last Month's Challenge:

## Items Using ConstructionGrade Materials —

















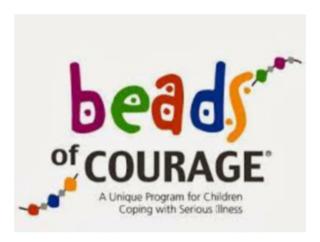
## Last Month's Critique

Each month we have a Critique table where members can bring in items they have turned for a constructive critique of their turning. We encourage all members, especially members new to turning, to submit their turnings for critique. One of our members who is recognized as being an "expert" turner does the critique. The objective is to provide constructive input to help members develop their skills. All of us learn from the critiques.

Due to time constraints at the meetings and inputs from membership, a Board member will select three (3) items to be critiqued. However, we encourage members to bring turnings since all of our membership learns by looking and touching someone else's turnings.

Thanks to Jim Tanksley who did our critique for February. Because of time constraints, we are only able to talk about 3 items per month. We only had 3 items on display this month, so all 3 were critiqued.

- 1. Jim Tanksley presented a very nice mesquite urn with a threaded lid.
- 2. **Greg Stehle** brought in a unique bowl turned out of alabaster and segmented bloodwood.
- 3. **Jimmy Fife** brought in a vase turned out of mesquite with a segmented walnut rim.



It is time to step up and work on this year's Lidded Bowls. They will need more in the coming months. This is a continuous need so we need to start now. There must be knob for lifting the lid and the lid should not be heavy.

See the information on Requirements on the next page.

A lidded bowl can be too small or too large. Following the recommendations would be the best. But one that is a <u>little</u> bigger or has a special shape will work. If smaller, it can be a problem since a child may not be able to put all his or her beads in it.

Decorated or colored is good but natural wood with Beads of Courage displayed is very good too.

If you are a new turner or have never made a display type bowl, it is suggested you start making bowls for Empty Bowls Project and build up your skills and then tackle a display type lidded bowl. There are a number of experienced turners that will be happy to help you improve your skills. We will be taking all the B of C lidded bowls to SWAT in August for display. Those lidded bowls given to the hospital before that time will have a picture on display at SWAT. The reward is the knowledge of you helping a child.

Recommended viewing is two YouTube videos, "Beads of Courage by Steve Mellott" parts one and two. They are about two minutes each and really give you a lot of good information. Plus you can find a lot of other Beads of Courage videos on YouTube. Just enter 'Beads of Courage' in the search box.

If you have any questions please talk to Ron Howe or Ray Moyer. They can answer questions and get you start on the right track.

#### Beads of Courage Program

This program is designed to support and strengthen children and families coping with serious illness. The program lets the children tell their story using colorful beads as meaningful symbols that commemorates milestones they have achieved along their treatment path. The average child gets 500 beads.

In 2010 SWAT took on the challenge and started Beads of Courage as part of SWAT. In 2014 149 bowl/Boxes were donated.

Our club is taking on the challenge again this year.

#### Requirements

The lidded bowl should be 6" in diameter (5" Min)

The lid should have a finial that is easy for a child to grasp and not too elaborate. Also the lid should not be heavy or tight on the box.

If possible, have "Beads of Courage" engraved or burned in the lid or B of C Bead. We also provide beads for the lid if needed.

Your bowls can be taken to SWAT or I will take them to SWAT for you They will be displayed. Your thanks is knowing a very ill child is getting something that will help them through difficult times.

Sign up and get started.

#### EMPTY BOWLS

Empty Bowls on March 7th was again a fun event to help raise funds for the Tarrant Area Food Bank. We had a top turning demonstration provided by David Baulch, John Lauderbaugh, Glynn Cox, Scott Wisdom, John Horn, and me. Tops were given away for a small donation. We turned a few tops, ate lots of good food, and talked to quite a few people. By the end of the event we ended up with only four small tops. Donations for tops provided another \$134 for Tarrant Area Food Bank.

The final tally on turnings we donated to Empty Bowls was 292 with 272 bowls plus 20 other items. We almost made it to 300. I think we would have, but the weather for the last meeting was bad so the turnout for the February meeting was low. 21% of the club members donated items which I thought was fairly respectable. At the top of the list was Sandy Jerrell with a combined total of 34 and close behind was David Baulch with 29. I say we shoot for 300 turnings this next cycle and hope for better weather the last meeting before the Empty Bowls event.

If you have any questions or comments, let me, Ron Traylor, know at randkbiz@msn.com.







Turners Name	Feb	Total		<u>Feb</u>	Total
Sandy Jarrell		31	Blake Hickerson		1
David Baulch	5	29	David Walker		1
Bill Holt		20	Jose Wigner		1
Scott Wisdom	1	20	Ronny Roberson		1
Wayne Clowers		19	Dick Koch	1	0
Jimmie Gill	9	15	Jow Wigner	1	0
Ron Traylor	1	14	Bob Wiggins	1	0
John Lauderbaugh	6	14	Wm Hicks	1	0
Jim Barkelew	3	13	Bruce Imsande	1	0
Ray Moyer		12	Dave Marshall		1
Greg Stehle		8	Keith Adams		1
Glynn Cox		7	Fred Denke		1
Kelley Wooton	1	7	Grand Total		272
Roy Steelman		6			
Don Christiansen	1	6			
Anonymous		4			
Jim McGregor		4			
Rick Gauthier	2	4	Non Bowl Items	Feb	Total
Larry Roberts		3			
Kerry Weeks	1	3	Bill Holt		5
Jimmy Fife	3	3	Ron Traylor		4
Ben Rundell	3	3	Wayne Clowers		3
Shane Collier		2	Sandy Jarrell		3
Joe Rypl		2	Bruce Imsande		2
J. Solberg		2	John Lauderbaugh		2
Bill Collins		2	Danny Woods		1
David Carter		2	Grand Total		20
J. Searles	2	2			
Pam Thompson	2	2	Percent of members		
Tom Crosett		1	making contributions		21%

## Mentors

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The Regular Monthly Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at the Handley-Meadowbrook Lions Club, 6013 Craig Street, Fort Worth, TX.

Board meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at Spring Creek Barbecue 6704 Lake Worth Blvd (Hwy 199). Check the WNT web site for any updates. All WNT members are invited to attend. If you would like to join the group for dinner, it begins at 5:30 PM and the business meeting starts at 6:30 PM.

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